

SENATE BILL 594

By Southerland

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-926, relative to Tennessee HOPE scholarships for dependent children of active members of the armed forces and national guard.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-926(c), is amended by deleting subdivision (1) in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(1) Dependent children of members of the armed forces or Tennessee national guard whose home of record, at the date of application for financial assistance, is determined to be Tennessee.

SECTION 2. A student may apply for the retroactive award of a Tennessee HOPE scholarship under § 49-4-926 for any semester of the 2005-2006 academic year in which the student would have qualified for a scholarship under § 49-4-926 as amended by Section 1 of this act, had such provision been in effect during that academic year. TSAC may award the scholarship retroactively, if the student meets all applicable requirements for the scholarship.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.